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SUBJECT: US POSITION ON SAFEGUARDS PRINCIPLES

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1. AS REPORTED REFTTEL A, MISSION HAS GIVEN COPY OF SAFEGUARDS PRINCIPLES EXTRACTED FROM REF B TO DG EKLUND. ON FEBRUARY 11, DDG HALL AND DIR. OF EXT. RELATIONS FISCHER ASKED TO DISCUSS THE PAPER WITH MISOFF. AFTER ASKING FOR SOME BACKGROUND ON PAPER, THEY SAID IT COULD HAVE IMPORTANT IMPLICATIONS FOR EURATOM AND JAPAN NEGOTIATIONS. HALL AND FISCHER ARE ANXIOUS TO DISCUSS IN DETAIL U.S. PAPER AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO THESE NEGOTIATIONS. HALL WAS IMPRESSED BY U.S. REASONING, E.G. ON
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QUESTIONS RELATED TO CATEGORIZATION. ON OTHER HAND,

HE BELIEVES NPT-RATIFICATION SITUATION IN JAPAN SO DELICATE THAT WE SHOULD BE VERY CAREFUL IN BROACHING SAFEGUARDS ISSUES WITH THEM AT THIS TIME.

2. MISOFF SAID HE BELIEVED THAT PRINCIPLES EMBODIED IN U.S. PAPER WERE MATTER OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE TO U.S: ON OTHER HAND HE BELIEVED U.S. RECOGNIZED NEED TO BE TACTFUL AND AVOID RAISING POLITICAL PROBLEMS, AND THEREFORE U.S. WOULD BE GLAD TO DISCUSS EDITORIAL AND PRESENTATIONAL MODIFICATIONS, AS WELL AS IMPLICATIONS.

3. WE WILL FIND OUT, DURING NEXT WEEK, MORE ABOUT AGENCY'S THINKING, AND WILL REPORT. HALL SUGGESTED THAT PAPER NOT RECEIVE FURTHER CIRCULATION UNTIL U.S. HAS AGENCY AND SOVIET REACTIONS. ACCORDINGLY, RE SUGGESTED DISCUSSION WITH JAPAN AND FRG (REFTEL A PARA. 7) MISSION SUGGESTS TEXT OF REFTEL B NOT BE GIVEN TO THESE GOVERNMENTS UNTIL AFTER FIRST DISCUSSIONS.

4. BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING HERE MAY PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY, DEPENDING ON MAKE-UP OF UK, FRG, AND SOVIET DELEGATIONS TO ADDRESS SUBJECT. UK RESREP SLATER HAS FORWARDED PAPER TO LONDON AND SUGGESTED UK DELEGATION BE PREPARED TO ADDRESS IT. SOVIET MISOFF HAS TOLD US THEY WILL HAVE COMMENTS SOON, PERHAPS NEXT WEEK. MISSION WILL REPORT RESULTS.LABOWITZ

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